

The Bethel News.

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DIRECTORY.

We are pleased to publish the following directory for the benefit of our citizens and visitors, and to insure correctness the News should be promptly notified when changes occur.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Selectmen—S. B. Twitchell, C. E. Barker, West, F. J. Russell, Clerk, L. T. Barker, Treasurer, W. H. Hastings, Supt. of Schools, H. H. Hastings, School Committee, Miss Jane Gibson, Z. W. Bartlett, East, N. F. Brown, Town Agent, A. E. Herrick, Collector, H. H. Bean, Auditor, Calvin Bisbee.

MAIL SERVICE.

Mails Close.
Going East, - 8:40 a. m., 3:15 p. m.
Closed mail for Portland and Boston, 8 p. m.
Mails Arrive.
From East - 10:50 a. m., 4:50 p. m.
From West, - 9:15 a. m., 3:45 p. m.

CHURCHES.

Methodist Episcopal, Main street, Rev. W. B. Eldridge, Pastor. Sunday—Prayer meeting, 10 a. m.; Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Junior League, 3 p. m.; Epworth League, 6:15 p. m.; Prayer meeting, 7 p. m. Tuesday—Class meeting, 7:30 p. m. Friday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.
Universalist, Church street, Rev. F. E. Barton, Pastor. Sunday—Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. C. U., 7 p. m.
Congregational, Church street, Rev. Arthur Varley, Pastor. Sunday—Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. C. U., 7 p. m. Junior S. C. E., 4 p. m. Tuesday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m. Tuesday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.
Union Church, West Bethel, supplied by Rev. Arthur Varley and Rev. F. E. Barton. Sunday—Preaching, 2:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 3:30 p. m.

LIBRARY.

Public Library, Broad street. Open Wednesday, from 6 to 8 p. m.; Saturday, 4 to 8 p. m. Over 2000 volumes. Mrs. G. R. Wiley, President; Annie Frye, Secretary; Mrs. O. M. Mason, Treasurer; Mrs. L. T. Barker, Librarian.

FRATERNAL ORDERS.

Bethel Lodge, No. 97, F. & A. M.—N. E. Richardson, W. M.; W. E. Abbott, S. W.; H. C. Rowe, J. W.; M. W. Chandler, Treas.; D. G. Lovejoy, Sec. Meets second Thursday of each month.
Mt. Abram Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 31—A. C. Frost, N. G.; E. S. Kilborn, V. G.; Chas. Mason, Rec. Sec.; C. C. Bryant, F. S.; S. I. French, Treas. Meets Friday evenings.
Sunset Rebekah Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 64—Martha A. Gibson, N. G.; Alice J. Farwell, V. G.; Jane H. Gibson, Rec. Sec.; Marla Hastings, Fin. Sec.; Ellen M. Burbank, Treas. Meets first and third Monday of each month.
Bethel Grange, No. 56—John F. Howe, Master; C. E. Valentine, Lecturer; J. S. Hutchins, Secretary. Meets Saturday afternoons, once in two weeks.
Sudbury Col., No. 50, U. O. P. F.—J. C. Billings, Gov.; E. C. Park, Sec.; E. S. Kilborn, Treas. Meets the first and third Monday of each month.
Bethel Lodge, No. 27, J. O. U. A. M.—C. O. Foster, C.; S. A. Gibson, R. S.; F. J. Tyler, H. S.; Harry Jordan, Treas. Meets the second and fourth Tuesday in each month.
Brown Post, No. 84, G. A. R.—Ira Jordan, P. C.; A. M. True, Adj. Meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p. m.
Brown Post, W. R. C., No. 36—Mrs. Arvilla Morgan, Pres.; Mrs. C. S. Littlejohn, Sec.; Miss E. E. Burnham, Treas. Meets the first and third Thursday of each month.
Bethel W. C. T. U.—Mrs. J. C. Billings, Pres.; Mrs. F. S. Chandler, Sec.; Mrs. L. T. Barker, Treas.

CORPORATIONS.

Bethel Savings Bank—S. B. Twitchell, Pres.; A. E. Herrick, Treas.
Bethel Manufacturing Co.—J. H. Barrows, Pres.; W. H. Winslow, Treas. and General Manager.
Bethel Water Co.—Enoch Foster, Pres.; A. E. Herrick, Treas.
Bethel Dairying Co.—W. E. Abbott, Manager.
Riverside Park Association—C. M. Wornell, Pres.; E. C. Rowe, Treas.
Bethel Light Co.—E. C. Bowler, Pres.; W. W. Hastings, Treas.

SOCIAL SOCIETIES.

Ladies' Club, Congregational—Pres., Mrs. F. S. Chandler; Vice Pres., Hattie Foster; Sec., Mrs. Hattie Richardson; Treas., Mrs. F. B. Tuell. Meets Thursday afternoon.
Ladies' Circle, Universalist—Mrs. L. A. Pratt, Pres.; Mrs. G. R. Wiley, Vice Pres.; Mrs. L. B. Hopkins, Sec.; Mrs. E. C. Rowe, Treas. Meets Wednesday afternoon.
Ladies' Church Aid Society, Methodist—Mrs. H. C. Andrews, Pres.; Mrs. Cyrene Littlejohn, Vice Pres.; Mrs. Cyrene Littlejohn, Treas.; Miss Ethel Morse, Sec.
Columbian Club—Mrs. J. G. Gehring, Pres.; Miss Annie M. Frye, Sec.; Mrs. T. F. Hastings, Treas.
United Order of Golden Cross No. 44—N. O., J. H. Barrows; W. T. Calvin Bisbee; F. K. O. R., S. W. Grover; K. of R., F. W. Bisbee.

The LOCAL NEWS.

Items of Interest Picked Up About Town by the News-Man.

Stella Bartlett has been ill with tonsillitis.
Just one week for Christmas advertising.
Miss Alice Billings was in Portland last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Heinrich Meyer were in town last week.
The winter term at Gould's Academy opened Tuesday.

Stationery of every kind and description at the News office.
Miss Myrtle Dolliver of Lewiston is engaged at the News office.

Miss Purington returned from Massachusetts Monday afternoon.
Mrs. David McNeil of Gorham, N. H., was in the village, Saturday.

Barton Smith went to Magalloway, last Friday, where he is to teach for the winter.
Geo. E. Ryerson returned from his visit to Lowell, Boston and vicinity, last Friday.

Remember there will be "Charity Whist" for a Library benefit, at Odeon Hall, New Year's eve.
Owing to the drifted condition of the roads, many of the Academy students have not yet arrived.

H. C. Rowe went to Norway, last Wednesday night and took three degrees in the Royal Arch Chapter.
Miss Alice Russell, assistant postmistress, has been restricted to her home by illness, for a few days.

The Volunteer Hose Company tried their new fire extinguisher, last Thursday, and they pronounce it O. K.

Owing to the incapacity of the furnaces in the brick schoolhouse, there was no forenoon session in that building Monday.

The afternoon mail from the east did not reach Bethel Monday, until about 7 o'clock, on account of the accident at West Paris.

Albert C. Eames, principal of Sebago Academy, who has been spending his vacation with his father in Bethel, returned to his school last Monday.

Monday, Wm. Lowe started two buck deer on the interval below W. L. Chapman's, and drove them across lots toward his home on Paradise St., killing them a few rods distant from it.

The Suits, Overcoats, Ulsters, Reefers, Fur Coats and the natty little Top Coats for boys at F. H. Noyes & Co.'s Blue Stores, Norway and South Paris, are pleasing many patrons. Why not be among the pleased yourself?

Mrs. C. C. Bryant has the appointment from the Grand Master I. O. O. F. of District Deputy President and will install the officers of Sunset Rebekah Lodge No. 64, I. O. O. F., Jan. 7, and Onward Rebekah Lodge No. 21, West Paris, Jan. 15, 1901.

Last Friday evening shortly after 8 o'clock, the regular freight train from Portland broke apart while coming into the lower yard and the engine stopping, both parts crashed together just below the switch by Woodbury & Purington's store. Several cars were derailed and several totally demolished. Conductor Sweet was on a flat car near the middle of the train at the time of the crash.

The car was jackknived and Mr. Sweet was thrown into the air with great force. He was removed to the van and Dr. Hill examined him. He was later removed to his home in Portland. The extent of his injuries are not known. The wrecking train from Gorham, N. H., was immediately summoned and arrived in less than thirty minutes. The crew worked faithfully under the directions of Roadmaster Foley and Wrecking boss Wilkinson for over two hours and a half, and enabled the up passenger to get through about half past twelve. No direct cause or blame for the accident has yet been placed, the old bell-cord having been done away with sometime ago.

There was only one session at the "Brick" Building last Wednesday, on account of the storm.
C. S. Russell of Gorham, N. H., was in town a few days recently, and moved his household goods to Gorham, N. H.

Mrs. L. L. Mason and little daughter, who have been visiting Mrs. O. M. Mason, returned to their home in Portland last Wednesday.

With two and one half feet of snow and the mercury hovering around 15° below, we are quite forcibly reminded that winter is on our track.

"Charity Whist" is the most popular way of raising money for public institutions, and the trustees of the Library Association have decided to give a party Monday evening, Dec. 31.

Miss Miranda Clark who resided with her sister, Mrs. Dudley at the corner of Railroad and Church Sts., died of apoplexy last Thursday evening. Funeral services were held at the home of Mrs. Dudley, Sunday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Barton officiating. The remains were placed in the cemetery above the Steam Mill.

Chas. H. Hastings who has been making his parents a short visit, started this morning for Washington, D. C. where he has accepted a position in the Congressional Library. He has recently returned from an extended trip in Europe, having visited all the leading libraries for the purpose of studying methods in cataloging as he is to have charge of this work in the library at Washington. While abroad he declined a flattering invitation to return to Chicago University, this work at Washington being more to his taste and liking.

H. A. Estes of Bryant Pond, who was killed at Rumford Falls last week, by being crushed under a derailed locomotive which he was assisting to put on the irons, was for many years a brakeman on the G. T. R. and many friends, won by his genial manner and accommodating disposition, read of his untimely death with deep regret.

Mr. Estes and Conductor Byron Harding of West Bethel, who was killed at Mechanic Falls two years ago, began braking about the same time and a remarkable friendship existed between them which ended only when Mr. Estes had seen the remains of his friend placed in the cemetery near his boyhood home. At the time of his death Mr. Estes was employed in the yard at Rumford Falls.

D. D. Matheson, who was killed in the collapsing of the G. T. R. bridge at West Paris, Monday, was comparatively well-known in Bethel. He was a native of Prince Edward's Island and came to West Bethel ten years ago, where he was employed for several years in the store of A. S. Bean. He left that situation to become a brakeman on the G. T. R., and after braking about a year he entered the employ of Milton Penley, who was engaged in the meat business in the store now occupied by Mr. Deering. Mr. Matheson soon bought the business and continued in it some time. After leaving Bethel he was employed in different towns in New Hampshire and Vermont and for the past year has been at Coos, N. H. He had been on the road but a few days and the news of his death was a terrible shock to his friends, many of whom did not know that he was again in the employ of the Grand Trunk, until they heard of the accident. Mr. Matheson had several cousins who reside in this vicinity and in Gorham, N. H., but we think he had no nearer relatives in the United States. He was a member of Mt. Abram Lodge I. O. O. F.; an upright, honorable young man, a fair representative of the sons of Prince Edward's Island, so many of whom cast their lot with us.

Mrs. Manning of North Waterford was in our village Tuesday.
The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. J. M. Philbrook Thursday afternoon.

The W. C. T. U. held a very interesting meeting at Mrs. Mason's, Tuesday afternoon.
Look for "Charity Whist" and other games at Odeon Hall, for benefit of the Library, on Monday evening, Dec. 31.

C. Bisbee has for sale domestic food cooked by Mrs. Walton Wight. Bread, cookies, doughnuts, and pies constantly on hand.

Beginning Monday, Dec. 17, our Store will be open every evening until after Christmas. Smiley Shoe Store, Norway Maine.

No one can doubt the near approach of Christmas, after taking a peek at Edw. King's show window, which is dressed in holiday attire.

You will find anything and everything in the line of Christmas goods at Miss L. C. Hall's, from pictures of all kind, panels in bas-relief, cameos, calendars, toilet, cigar and manicure sets, collar and cuff, necktie, handkerchief and work boxes, dainty fittings for desk and toilet table, to dolls, books, games, and toys in great variety for the little ones.

The remains of Mr. Geo. Bryant were brought to Bethel for interment, last Monday. Mr. Bryant lived in Bethel several years, but moved with his family to Mechanic Falls sometime ago. Mr. Bryant died from pneumonia, leaving a widow and four children, who have the sympathy of their Bethel friends. The family have returned to Bethel and are with Mrs. Bryant's mother, Mrs. Lamere.

At a regular meeting of Brown Post Thursday evening, Dec. 6, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

P. C.—A. H. Hutchinson.
S. V. C.—M. R. Coburn.
J. V. C.—E. C. Bartlett.
Surgeon—J. A. Morton.
Chaplain—A. W. Grover.
Quartermaster—A. S. Chapman.
O. D.—I. C. Jordan.
O. Guard—J. H. Barrows.

F. C. Bartlett was elected delegate and M. R. Coburn alternate to the Department Encampment to be held in Auburn in February.

Masonic Installation.
Bethel Lodge, F. and A. M., held its public installation of officers at Masonic Hall last evening, when the following officers were installed by District Deputy, J. W. Simpson of Rumford Falls, with G. R. Wiley as grand marshal, and Rev. F. E. Barton as grand chaplain:

M.—H. C. Rowe.
S. W.—Wilfred Bowler.
J. W.—E. H. Young.
Treas.—M. W. Chandler.
Sec.—D. G. Lovejoy.
Chap.—Rev. F. E. Barton.
S. D.—N. E. Richardson.
J. D.—A. L. Morgan.
S. S.—H. M. Farwell.
J. S.—A. C. Frost.
T.—J. F. Ballard.

A short literary program, consisting of music and readings, was given in connection with the installation exercises, conspiring to make a very pleasant evening.

At the conclusion of the exercises at the hall the Masons and invited guests, about one hundred in number, repaired to the Universalist chapel, where an excellent supper was served by the ladies of that society. The next Masonic meeting will be held to-morrow night.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children.
Successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in the Children's Home in New York, Cure Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorder, move and regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms. Over 30,000 testimonials. They never fail. At all druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

SOME FOOLISH PEOPLE
Allow a cough to run until it gets beyond the reach of medicine. They often say "Oh, it will wear away," but in most cases it will wear them away. Could they be induced to try the successful medicine called Kemp's Balsam, which is sold on a positive guarantee to cure, they would immediately see the excellent effect after the first dose. Price 25c. and 50c. Trial size free. At all druggists.

Wanted.
After Jan. 1, a young person to assist in second work. Wages \$3.00 per week. Address Mrs. J. G. Gehring, Bethel, Me.

Castoria.
Bears the Signature of
The Kind You Have Always Bought
J. C. H. Little

Bridge Gave Way.

It was about 10:45 last Monday morning that one of the most serious railway accidents occurred at West Paris that has happened in this section for some time.

The bridge that crosses the Little Androscoggin river collapsed as a construction train was passing over it. This bridge is situated possibly 15 rods east from the West Paris station and has been in place many years.

The train was composed of an engine, two flat cars and a caboose. A large derrick weighing many tons was on the flat cars. On one side a large beam extended several feet. As the train entered the bridge the beam of the derrick collided with some of the side iron work of the bridge and instantly the entire structure collapsed.

The fireman, D. D. Matheson of North Stratford, N. H., was instantly killed, and the engineer, Thomas O'Neil of Portland, was critically injured.

Candy!

SPECIAL OFFER of Fine and Fancy Mixed and Assorted Candies for the Holidays. We offer to send until January 1st, five pound Sample Boxes of Fine and Fancy Mixed and Assorted Cream and Chocolate Candies of all kinds, direct to the consumer or any address, upon receipt of price. We prepay express charges.

Prices: Fine and Fancy Mixed, per box, \$1.00. Extra Fancy Mixed of Cream and Chocolate of all kinds, per box, \$1.50. We allow a reduction of 15c. per box if four or more boxes are ordered by one or more parties to be sent in care of one address. Orders for Christmas should be in our hands by Dec. 22. Send post office order or express money order, and state express shipping point. Address: The Hudson Candy Co., 323 West 13th St., New York.

Christmas Gifts.

"Heap on more wood! the wind is chill. But let it whistle as it will, We'll keep our Christmas merry still." There never was a time in the history of the world, when the practice of Christmas gift-making was conducted on such a sensible plan as to-day.

While all those finer feelings of sentiment so closely allied with the occasion are still dearly cherished, yet these have been made to serve a more practical end. Sentiment is now more intelligently applied. And with this double-motivated giving, the question of suitable gifts is one of even greater perplexity. For it is not often easy to thoroughly combine sentiment with practicability in a manner befitting the delicacy of the occasion. It is with a view to opening up before our readers the large possibilities that are presented in their well stocked furniture, carpet and drapery store, for the wise selection of Christmas offerings, that Messrs. Bradford, Conant & Co. submit the suggestions that will appear in our advertising columns for the next few weeks. We ask our readers to keep in mind that these form but a mere straw, a faint hint culled at random from thousands of other presentation articles.

Remember that in selecting a Christmas present the fact must not be lost sight of that furniture is always suitable; that it is practical, that it has the characteristics of service, durability, beauty and sentiment happily combined. Whatever else may be acceptable, a select piece of furniture is always in proper form. But here, as in everything else, a little discrimination is essential. The resources of this favorable known establishment are at your command to enable you to select discriminately. There you will find the reliable BRADFORD, CONANT & Co. quality at prices made possible only by their large buying and large selling facilities operated by active members of this firm who have made it their business for a lifetime—and for a quarter of a century have led all competitors in their line. They invite you to inspect their Christmas stock.

Timely Warrant.

To the inhabitants (male or female, black or white, domestic or foreign) of the town of Bethel or any other ideal spot within Uncle Sam's vast domain.

GREETING: In the name of the Pine Tree State, all who are duly and truly qualified to peruse and read the Bethel News should be, and hereby are notified and invited to meet at the office of said News, on Monday night, December 24, A. D., one thousand nine hundred, at 12 o'clock sharp, or at any other time previous to said day and date, which may or may not be more or less convenient to the lawful perusers or readers aforesaid, then and there or at some other time somewhere to act upon the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a spokesman to preside over said august assembly.

Art. 2. To choose a scribe to record all legitimate and profitable doings which may come within the province of said assembly.

Art. 3. To choose a board of financiers.

Art. 4. To choose an examining and selecting board.

Art. 5. To choose a truckman.

Art. 6. To choose all other officers or committees or anything else that may seem desirable or feasible.

Art. 7. To see if the assembly will vote to make it the duty of the board of financiers to drive just the sharpest bargains possible first, last, and all of the time.

Art. 8. To see if the assembly will vote to make it the duty of the examining and selecting board to scrutinize with a painful scrutiny, the collateral that may or may not be spread before them.

Art. 9. To see if the members will vote to make it the duty of the truckman to cart away and distribute to the various and proper places, the myriads of nice things which may await carting at the time of adjournment.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the assembly will vote to grant and raise to purchase at said News office, on said day and date or at any time previous, the thousand and one nice things, useful and ornamental, found at said office and designed for Christmas presents.

Art. 11. To see if the assembly will vote to extend a vote of thanks to said News or any of its progeny for securing so many nice things with which to load Old Santa down, and to see further, if it will vote to send a word to Santa to be on hand at an early hour and bring some good big sacks.

Hereof fail not at your regret but have you there your purses with your money therein.

Given under our hands and from out our hearts, this snapping cold day in December, just 10 days from Christmas.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS.

Eczema, scald head, hives, itching of the skin of any sort instantly relieved, permanently cured. Doan's Ointment. At any drug store.

WHAT IS BETTER FOR CHRISTMAS

than some dainty article in Jewelry, or some pretty and attractive thing in silver? They are small but nice, and if they come from my store you are assured of the quality. Before making out your list look over the articles below, or better still call and look over my stock as this space is too small to give all the things you would see on a visit to my store.

CLOCKS
Porcelain,
Blackwood,
Kitchen,
Nickel,
Gold, etc.

CUT GLASS.
Salad Bowls, Olive Dishes,
Vinegar Bottles, Spoon Trays, etc.

SILVERWARE
Tea Sets,
Spoon Trays,
Cracker Jars,
Syrup Pitchers,
Crumb Trays,
Cake Baskets,
Fruit Dishes,
Shaving Mugs,
Butter Dishes,
Bonbon Dishes,
Children's Mugs,
Napkin Rings, etc.

Silver Novelties
Toilet Sets,
Hat Brushes,
Bonnet Brushes,
Nail Files,
Tooth Brushes,
Stamp Boxes,
Match Boxes,
Soap Boxes,
Paper Cutters,
Embroidery Scissors,
Gents' Pocket Scissors,
Ebony Handles.

Jewelry
Rings,
Bracelets,
Vest Chains,
Brooches,
Lorgnette Chains,
Cuff Buttons,
Scarf Pins,
Charms,
Emblem Pins,
Thimbles,
Fobs,
Gold Pens, etc.

Watches.
Ladies', Gentlemen's,
Boys' and Girls'
Watches, etc.

FLAT WARE
SILVER and PLATED
Tea Spoons, Forks,
Knives, Berry Spoons,
Pie Knives, Children's Sets, etc.



MAIL ORDERS ..

Promptly
Attended
to.

EDWARD KING

Jeweler and Optician
BETHEL

Your Money Back
if you want it.

COUNTY LOCALS.

SOUTH PARIS.

Opening at Shurtleff's Saturday, Dec. 9.
All schools in the village began Monday.
John Everett recently cut the

COUGHS KILL



We know of nothing better than coughing to tear the lining of your throat and lungs. It is better than wet feet to cause bronchitis and pneumonia. Only keep it up and you will succeed in reducing your weight, losing your appetite, bringing on a slow fever, and making everything exactly right for the germs of consumption. Better kill your cough before it kills you.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

kills coughs of every kind. A 25 cent bottle is just right for an ordinary cough; for the harder coughs of bronchitis you will need a 50 cent bottle; and for the coughs of consumption the one dollar size is most economical.

"My cough reduced me to a mere skeleton. I tried many remedies, but they all failed. After using the Cherry Pectoral I immediately began to improve, and three bottles restored me to health. I believe I owe my life to it."

SARAH F. MORGAN,
Brownstown, Va.
Oct. 7, 1898.

fingers on his left hand.

Lizzie Murphy went to North Paris, Sunday.

Mrs. Albion Hersey of Portland is spending the winter at T. Thayer's.

L. P. Hawkins is preparing to make excelsior in the old match factory.

Will Marston is at home from Farmington and is working for the Paris Mfg Co.

Ray Porter, who has been working as cook in Thurston's camp on Swift river, is now at home.

Supt. H. F. Morion, who has been very ill the past eight weeks, with catarrh of the stomach, is not improving.

A heavy snow storm Tuesday night and Wednesday brought us about a foot of snow. The country roads are badly drifted.

Miss Gertrude McArdle is, employed in the Boston Store, while Miss Mary McArdle takes her place in the music store.

Mrs. Cotton, who has been visiting her father, Hiram Pulsifer, has gone to join her husband in Richmond, Va., where they will spend the winter.

There will be a social at Grange Hall, Wednesday night, Dec. 12. Mr. Marble will deliver some of his fine readings. Ice cream and cake will be on sale. Admission fee 10¢.

Oxford Pomona Grange met here Tuesday. In the forenoon officers were elected and other business transacted, after which they adjourned for dinner. In the afternoon the installation took place, and a short but very interesting program was carried out.

NEWRY.

Mr. Melvin Allen, wife and baby are at John Allen's, for awhile this winter.

Clifton Foster, wife and little son Wilfred, spent Thanksgiving with his brother, Walter Foster.

If you would like to have an appetite like a bear and a relish for your meals take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They correct disorders of the stomach and regulate the liver and bowels. Price, 25 cents. Samples free, at Wiley's drug store.

NORTH NORWAY.

Chester Flint shot a deer the 29th.

C. A. Frost is busy buying and packing apples.

Geo. Hobbs is suffering greatly with the asthma.

Wm. Meserve is chopping wood for O. W. H. Judkin.

Mrs. Clapp is holding meetings at the chapel, this week.

Guy Curtis and wife have gone to Rumford Center to work.

Harry Wood and Elmer Dunn are working in the shoe shop at the village.

Miss Grace Warren is teaching the winter school and boards at M. H. Merriams.

Foster Jackson recently bought a wood lot of Alonzo Heath, and is at work on it.

Clarence Austin was recently called to attend his sister's funeral, Mrs. Gusta Bigelow of So. Paris.

Asa Needham and John Hussey have moved their families into the Henry Hobb house for the winter.

WIT AND WISDOM.

"You've heard Browne's married again? 'No; has he?' 'Stupid fellow! he didn't deserve to lose his first wife.'"

CASTORIA.

Bears the Signature of *Dr. H. H. Hutchins.*

"A young lady who had a young man 'keeping company' with her, who is employed in a telegraph office, calls him 'the electric spark.'"

To the Deaf.

A rich lady, cured of her deafness and noises in the head by Dr. Nicholson's Artificial Ear Drums, gave \$10,000 to his institute, so that deaf people, unable to procure the Ear Drums, may have them free. Address No. 4737, The Nicholson Institute, 780 Eighth Avenue, New York. Jul 1891.

"Yours squeezingly," an English lover signed his letters, and he and his sweetheart used to go to sleep in the same arm chair.

with the same handkerchief over their faces, all of which the jury took into consideration when assessing the damages for breach of promise.

"Bodily pain loses its terror if you've a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil in the house. Instant relief in cases of burns, cuts, sprains, accidents of any sort. *

"An old lady in Middlebury, Wis., crossed over a bridge marked 'Dangerous,' without seeing the sign. On being informed of the fact on the other side, she instantly turned in great alarm and recrossed it. *

"Neglected colds make fat graveyards." Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup helps men and women to a happy, vigorous old age. *

"Josh Billings, in his 'Farmers' Almanac' for the new year, thoughtfully observes: 'The world all phrase the philosophers, but toss their pennies into the caps of the monkeys.'"

Jell-O, The New Dessert, pleases all the family. Four flavors—Lemon, Orange, Raspberry and Strawberry. At your grocers. 10c. Try it to-day. 18

DENTAL NOTICE--Artificial Teeth.

The great purchase of 1000 sets of White's & Justies' best teeth by Dr. E. Bailey, Dentist, Lewiston, has made a sensation. These teeth are fresh from the factory with all the latest moulds and shades.

For quick returns I have decided to make any patient a set for the low price of \$5.00, on the best Rubber plates. 25 years experience in fitting the most difficult cases will insure you a set of the best teeth made.

Very truly,
Dr. E. BAILEY,
DENTIST,
Journal Block,
Lewiston, Maine.

Plymouth Rocks.
I have for sale a fine lot of Plymouth Rock Cockerels, which if sold at once, will be sold reasonably. J. S. Hutchins,

PIANOS : : : AND ORGANS

The most complete stock of Pianos, Organs, Stools, Seals and Instruction Books ever had. Ivers & Pond Behr Bros., Merrill, Estey and Prescott Pianos. Estey, Carpenter, Packard and Wilcox & White Organs, all in stock. Illustrated catalogues of all these instruments sent upon application. Instruments sold on easy monthly terms.

W. J. WHEELER & Co.,
Billings Block, SOUTH PARIS, ME.

BETHEL MARKET.

Beef, Pork, Lamb, Sausage, Ham, Frankforts, Fresh and Pickled Tripe, Oysters and Clams on hand at all times.

Oysters : Stewed, Raw and Fried.

Fresh Peanuts (roasted daily) and Salted Peanuts.

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WEDNESDAY, DEC. 12, 1900.

There are scarcely three weeks left in which men may become heroes of the nineteenth century.

The automobile is all right in piping times of peace but for war purposes the old reliable army mule still holds the palm.

The Democrats are denouncing President McKinley. He played a mean trick on them in failing to declare in favor of the establishment of an empire in his message to Congress.

The prospects for building the Nicaraguan Canal seem very good, but it is to be hoped that care will be taken to prevent the contractors from forgetting that they are going to dig a canal and not operate a gold mine.

How evanescent is fame. W. J. B. travelled all the way from Lincoln to Omaha and back again the week after election and nobody knew about it until they read it in the papers. The rear platform must have felt slighted.

Just eighteen days more and we shall be starting out upon a new century. Some, we are aware, have been living in a new century for the past year, according to their ways of thinking, but we are content to be a year behind them.

How many Americans know that the French name for Turkey is "Peru" and that it is so called because it is identified with that revolutionary South American country and not with the land of the free and the home of the brave, where it has been exalted to such high honor.

In the *Review of Reviews* for December Mr. Walter Wellman discloses more fully than has heretofore been done the real policy of the Washington government regarding Cuba. In view of the attempts at constitution-making now being made by the convention in session at Havana, and the persistent statements that the United States will break its pledge of Cuban self-government, Mr. Wellman's article is both timely and significant. It is written by a man who knows the purposes of the administration, so far as they can be known, and it should forever set at rest the charges of national bad faith so frequently repeated during the Presidential campaign. Mr. Wellman's article is entitled "The Cuban Republic—Limited," and it outlines a form of government not unlike that of the Dominion of Canada, excepting that Cuba will choose her own President, instead of being ruled by a governor-general appointed in the United States.

Abolish the Stamp Taxes!

It is as easy enough to spend money; it is difficult to practice economy; but in the face of such figures the people are showing a disposition to ask their Representatives to cut down a little, and especially to abolish some of our war taxes, which are not only unnecessarily onerous, but which in themselves are a constant inconvenience and in some respects a general nuisance. This is especially true of the stamp taxes—the taxes on checks, public documents and postal orders. If the present Congress should abolish some of these, or all of them, it would deserve a better epitaph than the average national legislature receives after it has ceased to function on the fourth of March.—Saturday Evening Post.

BRADFORD, CONANT & CO.,

199-203 Lisbon Street,
LEWISTON, MAINE.

Special For Christmas Buyers

It would be next to an impossibility for us to offer a list comprising a tenth part of the great number of desirable things to be found for Christmas Gifts in this splendid stock of Furniture, Carpets and Draperies. To those who know us and have dealt here, we have only to say that this year our assortment excels all our best previous efforts—every want has been attended to by our buyers—variety and value at the lowest of low prices our constant thought in getting the assortment ready. To strangers and possible visitors in Lewiston during Grange Meeting we extend a most cordial invitation to call; make our store headquarters and incidentally look us over. If you have a Christmas want, satisfy it here.

Dining-room Furniture.

A dining table that is clean and smooth is best in keeping with a well served dinner. Here is the chance some sensible husbands have been waiting for. We show lists of three assortments—either set can be had entire or will be divided up to suit purchaser.

SET No. 1.
8 ft. Solid Oak Table, \$6.50
6 Cane Seat Dining Chairs, 7.50
Solid Oak Polished Sideboard, \$17.00
Total, \$31.00

SET No. 2.
8 ft. Hardwood Table, (Golden Oak Finish), \$5.00
6 Cane Seat Dining Chairs, 6.80
Solid Oak Sideboard, 15.00
Total, \$26.80

SET No. 3.
6 ft. Hardwood Table, (Golden Oak Finish), \$4.50
6 Chairs to match, 5.00
Oak Sideboard, 10.00
Total, \$19.50

These examples serve only to illustrate how low we sell medium and low priced dining room furniture. Our line is very comprehensive and we have many real gems in rich mahogany and selected quartered oak Tables, Sideboards, China Closets, Buffets and high grade cane seat and leather upholstered chairs.

LAMPS.

We have added to our usual good line more than 50 of the handsomest ones to be found—making an assortment that excels in all essential features any ever shown in this or any city in New England outside the big city stores.

Prices \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50 and so on up the scale to some very artistic designs selling at \$15.00 to \$20.00. Remember there is great variety. Remember there is great variety at all prices mentioned and at all intermediate prices.

LADIES' DESKS.

We'd like to print a picture of each of our 40 designs in this popular Christmas Gift, but we can do no better than to hint at the extensive showing.

They are in all woods, including mahogany, bird's-eye maple, birch, quartered and plain oak and sycamore. The prices are sure to fit all purses; they run as low as \$5.00 and as high as \$40.00.

All prices in between these figures are sure to hit pleasing designs and construction; style and finish is right in every one.

Parlor Suites.

This is certainly something to be bought once for a lifetime and if you are fortunate in selecting "our kind" it may well be so.

Quality the First Consideration
with us, and, consequently, customers may select with eyes shut here and still get the made-to-wear comfortable sort.

We show Christmas buyers 25 New Suites, some 3-pc., others 4 or 5,—the design, amount of upholstery work and carving, determines price figures. You may pay us \$40.00 or \$50.00 or anywhere up to \$175.00 for a suite and never get less than the full value. These Christmas prices on Parlor Furniture are fully 10% below regular—not to close out old stuff, but to introduce the newest to old friends and others that come to see us.

Framed Pictures.

Such as you would pay a round price for at art stores, we offer for mere trifles—so low you will be astonished.

Copies of many famous pieces by native and foreign artists we have marked for this sale at \$5.00, \$4.00, \$3.00 and more than 100 beautiful reproductions between \$3.00 and \$1.50. Many handsome (small) gold frame pictures 75 cts., 50 cts., and 25 cts.

Occasional Chairs.

More than 150 choice Antique Reproductions in this line. Many of them just like grandmother's of one hundred years ago. They match none of the other chairs you have and there are no two alike.

They are as interesting as an art gallery and more universally useful—best of all, "easy to buy" because we have marked them low. You'll find many of them less than \$5.00, and dozens of designs below \$10.00, good assortment between \$10.00 and \$15.00, and some that go as high as \$25.00.

Parlor Mirrors.

We have them in gilt frames with large generous glasses as low as \$7.50. Bigger ones at \$8.50, \$9.50, \$10.00, \$12.00, and \$15.00.

Many very beautiful patterns with solid gold plated frames with oval and shaped glasses. The top notch of Mirror perfection is seen in this department. It's worth a visit, but if you can't come, and want to buy, write us your price limit and size desired, we'll select and guarantee it to suit or back goes your money when you say the word—no argument here on that point.

BOOKCASES

AND

OFFICE FURNITURE.

Open front cases, glass front cases that swing and slide, also Wernicke cases, (catalogue of the latter for the asking.)
Prices of open cases from \$2.50 to \$6.50.
Glass door cases, \$9.50 to \$18.00.

Roll Top Desks \$15.00, \$20.00, and so on "up the ladder" of price. We have a complete line of Roll Tops and you have only to mention your ideas to have us produce the "very thing" at a lower price than you hoped for.

Hallstands.

The kind that all but welcome your caller with a glad "How-do-you-do," "glad-to-see-you" air.

Some are simply seat with glass and hooks above it or off to a convenient side place. Prices range from \$6.50 to \$40.00. You see it all depends upon the design and the amount of labor in the article. Slim purses need not fear. We have the exact thing in a hallstand, if it's made. We have selected carefully, knowing full well what our customers want. Ten to one we can suit the most particular.

This Splendid Christmas Stock,

considering the extremely low prices that prevail in every department, coupled with the facts that we pay all express and freight charges, freely exchange or refund money where merchandise is for any reason not satisfactory, should bring business from every wisely economical person who is desirous of selecting a certain-to-please Christmas Gift, and from others who have a want in the line of household or office furniture to supply.

We Invite You to Come or Write Us, and Promise you will not be disappointed.

Bradford, Conant & Co., 199-203 LISBON STREET, Lewiston, Maine.

Uranus and Its Four Moons.

Astronomers are turning their telescopes in the direction of the planet Uranus, which has become interesting of late by reason of the fact that it has assumed such a position in the sky that its four moons, revolving about it like so many little golden shuttles, are at present in a plane at right angles with the line of vision from the Earth.

Uranus is one of the great planets of the outer group of the solar system. Uranus is a very interesting sort of a world in more than one respect. It is about sixty times as big as the Earth and one of its years is equal to eighty-four of ours. From the viewpoint of its inhabitants (supposing any such to exist) the sun rises in the west and sets in the east, while all of the four moons have the same peculiarity. To them the sun looks only one four-hundredth as large as it does to us, inasmuch as they are 1,800,000,000 miles away from that luminary, and daylight is proportionately dim, though bright enough to see by comfortably.

bly, in as much as at midday it is equal to the illumination of fifteen hundred moons like ours.

Uranus has a diameter of 35,000 miles, and its distance from the Earth is 1,700,000 miles.—Saturday Evening Post.

CASTORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Pritchard*

Firm Nerves by Using Smith's Green Mountain Renovator.

Clear Vision, Too.

Firm nerves and clear vision are products of perfect blood circulation. Strength of arm, of eye, and of nerve are necessary to-day as never before. The present day worker like the archer of old must have strength without alloy. Smith's Green Mountain Renovator is the happiest union of strengthening elements known, and as a Body Builder nothing equals it. It is made of pure herbs and plants, and is redolent of the fragrant woods, green hills and bracing air of the Green Mountains.

"I have been troubled with nervous dyspepsia for years, which made me a physical wreck in more ways than one—weak, nervous, and unable to eat or sleep. I was induced to try Smith's Green Mountain Renovator. A few bottles completely cured me, and thanks to your Renovator I can now eat a square meal, sleep well and feel strong and hearty."
—THOS. GUNN, JR.,
No. 448 Pearl Street, Albany, N. Y.

MAGALLOWAY.

Two feet and a half of snow now. A. N. Littlehale has begun logging.

M. D. Sturdevant went to Berlin Tuesday.

M. C. Linnell is working for Shedd Lary.

Born, Dec. 6, to the wife of Lewis Leavitt, a daughter.

Deer is very plenty and a large number has been killed since the snow came.

W. H. Powers, who was on his way to work in the woods, had a very nice pair of horses drowned at the Bennett ferry on the Magalloway last week.

When you feel that life is hardly worth the candle take a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They will cleanse your stomach, tone up your liver and regulate your bowels, making you feel like a new man.

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel, A. S. Bean, W. Bethel, W. H. Crockett, Locke Mills, J. W. Bennett, Gilead, A. R. Small & Son, Bryant Pond.

THE SAVING OF MONEY

by the use of William Tell Flour is considerable. William Tell Flour is economical because it goes further than any other flour. It saves also because it makes fine light, sweet bread—there is never any waste, and that is another saving. . . . YOU ABOUT IT

IRA C. JORDAN

GROCERIES FLOUR GRAIN FEED

Lost.

Lost on Church or Main St. in Bethel village, a ladies' black purse containing a small sum of money. The finder will please leave the same at the NEWS office and be suitably rewarded.
Mrs. Willard Newhall, Andover, Maine.

Describing It.

"Isn't Jimson going to build a new factory on the high bank overlooking the lake?"
"No. That's a bluff."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Appointments.

Yes, I'm the man who's always late. And without shame the fact I state. For well I know, and so do you, The man I meet will be late too.
—Chicago Record.

Christmas Handkerchiefs.

We have always shown thousands of Handkerchiefs for Christmas. This year we are as strong as ever, or a little stronger.

HANDKERCHIEFS.

plain, embroidered, drawn work, lace trimmed and initial.
Prices, 24, 50, 100, 12 1-2, 150, 250, 375, 500, 750 and \$1

If you cannot visit us we will select a Handkerchief for you on receipt of price, and you may return it if not perfectly satisfactory.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS in the Dress Goods Department through the Holidays.

Thomas Smiley, Norway.

WEST BETHEL.

"—Would that Christmas were here, With its smiles and good cheer, With its festive dance, And the restless glance Of bright eyes that never weary; I'd sing, I'd sing, Long live the King! But longer live you, my deary."

No one is complaining now of a lack of snow.

According to the almanac, winter will not begin until the 22nd.

Monday was a bleak and boisterous day for the season of the year.

Miss Edith Briggs visited friends on Bethel Hill Friday and Saturday.

Another social dance in Bell's hall next Thursday evening, Dec. 13.

H. P. Dennison has a fine display of Christmas goods on his counters.

The time of holding the Union Sunday school has been changed to 11 a. m.

Mrs. Sarah W. Brown is with her brother, I. D. Grover, but hopes to soon find a situation as nurse. See advertisement.

Elmer Briggs came home from Percy, N. H., Friday, and the same

day went to Shelburne, N. H., where he now has employment as night telegraph operator.

Geo. Dana Morrill is cutting all the pine trees from the Scribner farm, which he recently purchased, and is landing the logs on the bank of Pleasant river.

WILSON'S MILLS.

J. W. Buckman went to Berlin this week.

R. S. Bean has been threshing for F. A. Flint and H. G. Bennett. Born, in Wilson's Mills Dec. 7, to the wife of Guy W. Brooks, a son.

G. W. Brooks went to Rangeley the first of the week, returning Friday.

G. R. Wiley, Bethel; A. S. Bean, West Bethel; W. H. Crockett, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gil-ead; A. R. Small & Son, Bryant Pond, guarantees every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and will refund the money to anyone who is not satisfied after using two-thirds of the contents. This is the best remedy in the world for lagrippe, coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough and is pleasant and safe to take. It prevents any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia.

DR. RAND'S Celery Remedy.

Cures Constipation, Sick Headache, Nervousness, and all Stomach, Kidney and Liver troubles. It removes all impurities from the blood, drives away pimples, blackheads, blotches or any skin eruption and produces good health and a beautiful complexion.

25 and 50c. Samples Free. Julius P. Skillings, Bethel; A. J. Haskell, West Bethel; O. P. Russell, Hanover.

NEWRY, CORNER.

"Then let the wild winds roar, the snowflakes come Creeping and heaping in their silent way, hearts will be happy in each loving home, And children's laughter make the whole earth gay."

Virgil Chapman is seriously ill again.

Jonathan Smith is slowly convalescing.

Elmer Trask shot a fine deer last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alphonso Bean have been entertaining company from Portland.

Stormy weather and sickness greatly reduced the size of our Sunday congregation.

Owing to illness, in several families there will be no meeting of the Ladies' Union Circle this week.

Little Edith went to see the very new baby; on being asked if she would buy it she replied "First, tell me if it's a yelling baby."

Our colony of blue jays have taken winter quarters in the evergreens of Mt. Will and breakfast regularly from our bin of corn; occasionally they dine or sup with us also.

Our Grange committee on Saturday, were busy all day auditing accounts. In the morning they met with A. T. Powers of Hanover and in the afternoon with E. R. Lane of this place.

ANDOVER.

Preparations are being made to hold a Christmas Concert in the Congregational church Sunday, Dec. 23.

Clarence Akers has gone to Bemis checking for the National Paper Co. He will probably be gone all winter.

R. A. Grover's steam mill has begun operation for the winter. Several new hands take the place of those gone away.

Prof. Wight is hoping to form a class in vocal music to begin at once. All those interested are requested to meet at the church Tuesday.

The Andover delegates to the E. O. L. U. at Bethel last week, had a tedious ride back as the roads were not in good condition, owing to the storm.

Last Monday evening the Hook and Ladder Co. met and chose the following officers for the ensuing year:

Foreman—F. M. Thomas.
Asst. Foreman—A. W. Thomas.
Sec. and Treas.—C. L. Ripley.
Steward—James L. Newton.

Sleighs for Sale.

I have a few custom made Old Comfort Sleighs which I will sell at cost, also a few factory sleighs. Call and see them. J. C. Billings, Bethel, Me.

It keeps the Feet Warm and Dry. Ask for Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder. It cures Chills, Swollen, Sweating, Sore, Aching, Damp Feet. At all drug stores and shoe stores. 25c. Sample FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

Wanted.

A middle-aged woman of experience desires employment as nurse, or to care for an invalid lady. Address Mrs. Sarah W. Brown, Box 80, West Bethel, Me.

Notice.

Whereas, my wife, Alma G. Foster, having left my bed and board without cause or provocation, I hereby forbid all persons trusting or harboring her at my expense after this date.—Walter A. Foster, Dec. 5, 1900.

DR. AUSTIN TENNEY,

Oculist, will be at BETHEL HOUSE, Bethel, Jan. 8 and 9.

At Gates' Block, Rumford Falls, Jan. 2 & 3. At Elm House, Norway, Dec. 19 & 20

You and Your Children.

Not satisfied with wrecking the lives of men and women, the demon of nervousness reaches out for the children. Cross words in the home warp the mind of the child; spasmodic correction stirs up rebellion; unreliable judgment does lasting injury.

Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy calms the nerves of mothers and fathers, and shows them the wrong they are doing. Perhaps the mother is sickly, perhaps in constant pain. Dr. Greene's Nervura would set her promptly on the way to health. Possibly the father has some chronic trouble and needs the strengthening and toning up that is found in this great remedy. Both father and mother may be under great strain of financial worry; if so, Nervura will help them. It will give them calm judgment and assist them over the rough places.

Bringing up children is a great responsibility; you can't evade it, you must equip yourself for it. You must keep yourself in a physical and mental condition to perform your duty. If you are ailing and nervous you cannot do this unaided, but with the help of Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, great things can be done.

Mrs. H. Silver, 142 Lewis St., New York City, says:

"I was nervous for four years so that I could do nothing. I went to different doctors, but none could help me. I read so much in the papers about Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy that I thought I would try it. After the first bottle I felt relieved, so I used a couple of bottles more, and now I am all right again. I thank Dr. Greene's Nervura for the good it did me. I also have two little girls who were sick, weak, and run down, to whom I gave Dr. Greene's Nervura. It did them so much good that I cannot be thankful enough. It made them well and strong again, and they are now, thanks to this wonderful remedy, healthy and vigorous. Before I took Dr. Greene's Nervura I could not eat or sleep. I could not do my housework, but now I am like a different woman. I give this testimonial that other sufferers may read it and know the good Nervura did me and my children."

Dr. Greene's Nervura will help your children. It is a purely vegetable preparation and helps Nature bring out the latent powers of the body and mind. Your children probably came into the world inheriting nervous tendency. Don't let them go through your hard experience. Get yourself in trim and do the right thing for the children. The well-trodden way and the means are here, make use of them.

If you are not certain that Nervura alone is what you need, consult Dr. Greene. He will tell you at once, as your case is not new to him. He has seen thousands just like it. He has helped them and he will help you. If you are at a distance and can't call at Dr. Greene's office, 34 Temple Place, Boston, Mass., you can write him all about it, and he will give you his advice in either case without charge, and confidentially.

DIXFIELD.

Maurice Foster has moved into his new house on Main street.

Miss Grace Bartlett, a student of Bates College, arrived home Monday.

Mrs. Geo. Holt has returned home from Boston, improved in health.

Thaxter Houston, Hildreth Staples and Fred Howard each got a deer last week.

Miss Ina Swett returned home from her visit at Rangeley Tuesday of last week.

School began Tuesday, Dec. 11, with W. H. Ormsby principal, and Miss Marcia Libby assistant.

Ina McIntyre, Verna Holman and Carroll Farrington arrived home Saturday, from Hebron Academy for the vacation.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. J. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c. Aug 22y1

EAST BETHEL.

Miss Ruby Smith is boarding with Mrs. F. C. Bean.

Miss Lulu Arno spent the past week with her aunt, Mrs. Payson Rich.

Mrs. J. M. Bartlett and son Guy, have moved to Berlin, N. H., to spend the winter with her husband who is working for the Berlin Mills Co.

Cleveland Bartlett, Lester Bean, Hester Kimball, Jennie Swan, Amy Bartlett and Annie Austin have returned to Gould's Academy for the winter term.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Bartlett entertained a number of their friends with progressive whist last Monday evening. Four tables were seated and a very pleasant game was enjoyed. The first prizes were won by our hostess, Mrs. H. E. Bartlett, and Walter Bartlett, and were presented to Mrs. G. W. Tracy and Foye Brown, who were the next highest in count, after which refreshments of coffee, cake and fruit was served, and a very pleasant hour was passed with music, etc.

SUNDAY RIVER.

C. D. Bean is on the sick list. Everett Brown shot a large deer last Saturday.

Jack Downing is working for Andrew Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bailey visited J. S. Brown, last Saturday.

I. P. Kilgore spent last Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Priscilla Foster.

Mrs. T. J. Sargent has gone to Magalloway to spend a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Leavitt.

Eli Stearns of Bethel bought and packed about one hundred forty barrels of apples in this place last week.

Will Powers came home last week from Magalloway and purchased a pair of horses to replace those he had drowned a few days ago in the Diamond river.

MIDDLE INTERVALE.

Archie Hutchinson has finished working for B. W. Kimball.

Herman Mason is hauling cord wood for Miss S. N. Kimball.

Maud Russell is attending school at Gould's Academy again this term.

Buck and Swan passed through this place last week, pressing several lots of hay.

Mrs. Fannie Carter of Paris Hill is staying a while with her mother, Mrs. Rebecca Carter.

Mrs. Clark Caswell has been very sick, having a sore in her throat. She is a little better just now.

Last Wednesday and Monday "Snowbound" was very appropriate reading, even the scholars were obliged to remain at home.

Hives are a terrible torment to the little folks, and to some older ones. Easily cured. Doan's Ointment never fails. Instant relief, permanent cure. At any drug store, 50 cents.

WEST LOVELL.

A physician was called for Miss Aristeen Lord on Saturday, as she has been worse the past week.

Fred Stearns hauls the road roller at West Lovell, and was out for the first time Thursday, the 8th.

John A. Fox with a crew is cutting the hard wood for the mill on Frank Watson's lot here. Guy Fox is hauling it.

Reed Hatch has bought a horse of Will Smith, and is to haul popular bolts for Nathaniel Fox and Daniel McAllister.

The Best Plaster.

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound to the affected parts is superior to any plaster. When troubled with lame back or pains in the side or chest, give it a trial and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. Pain Balm also cures rheumatism. One application gives relief.

Sold by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; A. S. Bean, W. Bethel; W. H. Crockett, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gil-ead; A. R. Small & Son, Bryant Pond.

OWEN, MOORE & Co.

Portland, Me., Dec. 12, 1900.

We desire to say to our Bethel friends that the full current of our holiday enthusiasm is turned on, this week, and every department of our store is ready with its entire stock of Holiday Goods. When in Portland give us a call, and we will show you the most entertaining display of up-to-date Novelties you've seen for many a day.

The display of Dolls and Toys and Books and Games and other things, made specially for little people, should have your immediate attention, because the stock is at its best now and as Christmas approaches the difficulties of comfortable leisurely shopping are increased.

There's a wonderful parade of Sterling Silver and silver plated articles, the

best quality, and all at astonishingly low prices.

Our great Umbrella department will bristle with a most attractive picture of the possibilities of Umbrella architecture.

The Glove section has made preparations for the largest business in its history, and it is bound to attract your favorable notice.

The more practical stocks like Linens, Handkerchiefs, Silk Stockings, etc., are always here in rather larger variety than elsewhere; but they, too, have caught the spirit of expansion, and just now are brimming over with completeness.

Well, we can't begin to tell you of what we have, but can only invite you again to come and see for yourself.

OWEN, MOORE & CO.

Over-Stocked!

GREAT REDUCTION SALE!

Ladies' Jackets, Capes and Furs,

MISSSES' AND CHILDREN'S JACKETS

On account of the continued warm weather that we have had since we opened our New Store and the heavy stock that we had at our opening we find ourselves with too many garments on our hands at this time of the year.

SATURDAY, DEC. 8,

we shall commence our Great Reduction Sale which we shall hold for ONE WEEK and give our Customers the benefit of from 20 to 30 per cent. discount on all JACKETS, CAPES, MUFFS, etc. both Ladies' and Children's.

GENERAL CLEARANCE SALE OF ALL THESE GOODS:

Ladies' Jackets.		Misses' Jackets.	
Was \$ 4 98.....	Now \$ 3 98	Was \$ 3 50.....	Now \$ 2 63
" 6 98.....	" 5 49	" 4 00.....	" 3 00
" 7 98.....	" 5 98	" 5 00.....	" 3 75
" 8 49.....	" 6 49	" 4 75.....	" 3 65
" 9 98.....	" 7 89	" 8 50.....	" 6 98
" 16 98.....	" 13 49	" 12 00.....	" 9 49
" 18 00.....	" 14 98	" 7 50.....	" 5 75
Children's Short Jackets.		Infants' Cloaks.	
Was \$ 2 50.....	Now \$ 1 79	Was \$ 2 00.....	Now \$ 1 49
" 3 00.....	" 2 25	" 2 25.....	" 1 69
" 3 50.....	" 2 69		
" 3 75.....	" 2 89		
" 4 50.....	" 3 39		
" 4 75.....	" 3 69		

OUR MOTTO: Quick Sales, Small Profits, and give the people just what we advertise every time; kind and courteous treatment to all. Come and examine our goods before buying elsewhere. No trouble to show goods.

THE BOSTON STORE

(SUCCESSORS TO L. B. ANDREWS)

Maxim Block, - South Paris.

MAINE'S GREATEST STORE.

Gifts of Usefulness

A piece of furniture that has in it years of decorative utility costs no more than a thousand and one other givable things that are soon laid aside and forgotten.

Parlor Cabinets

For choice pieces of china and bric-a-brac, in oak, mahogany and vernis marten. They cost anywhere from \$15 to \$75

Sewing Machines.

A gift of more than ordinary usefulness at a low price is the "Riverton" Sewing Machine at \$19. It is cheap in nothing but price, and is guaranteed satisfactory in every way, shape, and manner.

At a higher price is the "Standard" Rotary Shuttle, which sews a third faster than the ordinary machine, with only half the labor. There is no jar or vibration to fire the back.

Toilet Tables.

Nothing will please a woman more. Scarcely anything you can buy at double the cost embodies so much convenience to the square inch. Any wood and finish that fancy dictates. No need to spend over ten or a dozen dollars.

Rocking Chairs

and Kindred Things.

In antique oak, golden oak, black Flemish oak in quaint old styles reminding one of long pipes and foaming steins, tobacco brown oak, leather and oak combinations, dark veined old mahogany, all in shapes that you won't find elsewhere—that you won't see next week in your next-door neighbor's.

Music Cabinets

for holding sheet music. Nothing else will preserve it so well or keep it in such good order. The shelves are deep and compactly arranged. Some have a door, some a brass rod for curtain. All woods, \$6.75 up.

WRITING DESKS.

All well finished, strongly built, and worth every cent of their price. That's more than can be said of many cheap desks.

Oak Desks, \$4.50, \$5.00, \$5.50, \$6.00, \$7.00, \$8.00, \$10.00, \$12.00.

Imitation Mahogany, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.50, \$9.00, \$10.00.

Solid Mahogany, \$12.50, \$15.00, \$18.00, and up.

UTILITY BOXES.

Strongly made, covered with dainty creton, lined with same material in a charming color contrast.

\$1.50 up—according to size.

ROGER'S SILVERWARE.

Teaspoons, 98 cents per doz.

Odd Pieces, 98 cents each.

Cheese Scoops, Soup Ladles, Pie Knives, Cold Meat Forks, etc.

JARDINIERES

for keeping potted plants.

Richly decorated—all sizes, 50c to \$5.00

FERNERIES,

50c, 75c, \$1.00,—up to \$6.00.

FUR ROBES

for baby carriages, beautifully lined, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00

FUR RUGS,

for the floor, \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00, and up.

PERSIAN WILTON RUGS,

27 by 54 inches, durable and richly colored, \$2.00 value, 98c

Sleds, Toys, Games, Dolls, Music Boxes, Children's Desks, and thousands of other givable things that must go unmentioned.

If you can't come to us write us your wants, and if you'll allow us, will select goods for you, using as much care as if we were buying for ourselves.

Oren Hooper's Sons

PORTLAND, ME.

THE PLACE TO BUY GLENWOOD RANGES AND HEATERS

Wood and Coal Furnaces,

Hardware, Tinware, Dynamite and Powder, Iron and Steel, DERBY Paint, PRINCE'S Tinted Lead, White Lead, Linseed Oil, Guns, Ammunition, Lumbermen's Supplies, Lubricating and Kerosine Oils, etc.

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STANLEY BISBEE, RUMFORD FALLS, MAINE.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

presence.

Fur Coats, Fur Robes, Fur Gloves

If these do not make a fitting combination please name something that does.

Christmas will be merry indeed to anyone receiving any of the above. Then I have fine HARNESS, SLEIGH BELLS, WHIPS, DRESS SUIT CASES, in short a fine assortment of everything in my line. Give me a call and be convinced.

E. H. YOUNG, BETHEL, MAINE.

How Armies May Prevent War.

It is likely enough that, if the military equipment of the United States had been a little more evident and ample, Spain would not have risked the chance of hostilities, and would have withdrawn from Cuba on some plan beneficial to the Spanish treasury, and not less so in the end to our own. This question of military efficiency is one about which there should be plain speech as well as clear thinking. Let us admit that it was negligence and error rather than wisdom and foresight that had allowed this nation of ours to attain its vast population and wealth with an army of only 25,000 men, and with preparations—as to arms, ammunition, and materials of all kinds—scarcely adequate even for so small a force. There were many Spaniards in high position, and many military experts throughout Europe, who strongly believed that Spain could defeat us in a quick campaign, on the same principle that fifty well-armed soldiers may readily disperse several thousand unarmed and unwarned citizens. Spain had 200,000 men under arms in Cuba, while we had hardly more than a tenth of that number, and ours were doing garrison duty in small detachments all over the continent. Under these circumstances, Spain could not believe that we really meant to fight; and still less did she believe that we could fight to any advantage on short notice. For this very reason the controversy was allowed to drift on until it was too late for a peaceful solution. Spain would have understood what we meant, and there would have been no war, if our army had been two or three times as large.—From Review of Reviews for December.

THE DRESS MODEL.

Gold decorations are the rage, and their vogue will last all winter.

Tailor skirts are stylishly varied in form and effect to correspond with the numerous basque, jacket and redingote styles.

In the fancy effects among tweeds, etc., the heavier mixtures are chosen by many experienced shoppers for the reason that they are reversible.

The genuine royal red is a brilliant scarlet, but the ruby and Roman shades which appear conspicuously in fashionable gowns are like a deep hue, velvet petal geranium blossom.

Costumes for general afternoon uses are made of different weaves of tailor cloth of very fine quality in the new shade of pale terra cotta, Roman red, silver blue, gray, brown, black and Russian green.

Strappings of cloth or braid continue to terminate on many tailor costumes in small buckles or buttons, and satin, peau de soie, panne velvet and other handsome vests on "dress" costumes have one or two rows of expensive gold buttons down the front set on in straight or diverging double breasted fashion.

Notwithstanding the marked vogue of the long, stately street garments of the season, the snug, natty, faultlessly fitted and finished jacket bodices, walking coats, French cutaway styles and all the numberless figaro, mikado, Eton, bolero and small square fronted Russian jackets continue to maintain a very strong hold on fashionable favor.

Following the latest edict of the French regarding mourning attire many weaves of silk with dull surface are used in deep mourning. Certain ornaments and furs are allowable, including astrakhan, otter, seal skin, black fox, baby lamb and long black bearskin. Ermine, chinchilla and Alaska sable are added to "half" mourning gowns.—New York Post.

—If you are going to make Christmas presents, and of course you are, why not get something that will make life more comfortable and enjoyable during the cold winter that has so forcibly announced its presence.

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T. F. FOSS & SONS

Odd Pieces Silverware.

Often a spoon, a pickle fork, a pie knife, or butter knife, would fit into a position on the table that nothing else could exactly fill. It sort of tones up the whole tableware effect. These odd pieces make very acceptable

Christmas Gifts,

too. If in doubt what to get in this line, our large stock offers suggestions that aid the hesitating buyer. Prices are also in touch with the economically inclined.

COR. CONGRESS & PREBLE STS. PORTLAND

Illinois' Standard of Cream.

In Illinois the law declares that cream must contain 12 per cent of butter fat. Most of the cream sent in by farmers contains about 25 per cent. This enables dealers to buy cream at 60 cents a gallon, add an equal quantity of milk or water to it and then supply it to buyers at 40 cents a gallon, says the Chicago News. Those dealers are not as sharp as contractors farther east, or they would reduce it one-half and then ask double the price they pay, or about 30 cents a quart.

Energy gone? Headache? Stomach out of order? Simply a case of torpid liver. Burdock Blood Bitters will make a new man or woman of you.

WILL EFFECT A CURE

Marshall, Mich., April 5, 1900
Sanitarium City Electrical Co.

Gentlemen—Having had a very serious illness with inflammatory rheumatism for nearly a year past, and having received no benefit from the many medicines I had used, and on the persuasion of a friend who had used one of your belts for rheumatism, I purchased one of your belts and have worn it for the past two months, from which I have received more benefit and relief than at any previous time, and feel confident that the continued use will wholly cure me in a short time.

For illustrated circular, terms, etc., address, Sanitarium City Electrical Co., Battle Creek, Mich. 4w25

The Captive.

She smiled, but he was adamant;
She pouted, still he didn't care;
He knew not that for him alone
She fastened roses in her hair.

She sighed and quoted poetry,
But still he kept his steady way;
Yet he is kneeling at her feet;
He saw the girl in tears one day.

—Chicago Times-Herald.

Stops the Cough and Works off the Cold.

Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No Cure, no Pay. Price 25 cents. 1yAug22

Wanted.

White Birch, Yellow Birch and Rock Maple in 4ft. lengths, at the Russell Mill at South Bethel.

E. L. Tebbets & Co.

Diet For the Stout.

A diet in which there is little sugar, less starch and a moderate amount of fat, if adopted gradually, diminishing first the sugar, then the starch, then the fat, will generally, with exercise, reduce the weight to the normal. Albumen, the principal constituent of butcher's meat, poultry, game, fish, eggs, etc., from which nutriment for the support of the nervous and muscular tissues is obtained, should form a large proportion of the dietary.

Very little farinaceous food—wheat bread, rice, macaroni, arrowroot, cocoa, sago, bananas, potatoes, etc.—should be eaten. Gluten flour, which is not fattening, may be used for bread, and gluten macaroni may be obtained. Almond flour is excellent for puddings, etc. As a rule, all vegetables which grow underground are fat forming. In green vegetables the starch has been converted into chlorophyll, or coloring matter, and spinach, cauliflower, water cress, lettuce, tomatoes, etc., should be eaten freely.—Harpers' Bazar.

What Shall We Have for Dessert?

This question arises in the family every day. Let us answer it to-day. Try Jell-O, a delicious dessert. Prepared in two minutes. No baking; add hot water and set to cool. Flavors—Lemon, Orange, Raspberry and Strawberry. At your grocers. 10 cents. 18

BLUE STORE

The Holiday Season is approaching. Norway and South Paris are the trade centres of the County. Our stores are offering

USEFUL and pleasing GIFTS

ELEGANT ASSORTMENT of fine NECKWEAR at 15, 25 & 50c

Handkerchiefs, plain and initial, silk, linen, lawn, Japonette and cotton.

Gloves, Mittens, Umbrellas, Fancy Braces and Armlets, Stick Pins, Cuffs Buttons, etc.

In our Clothing and Furnishing Goods Department you will find many things that will be comfortable and pleasing.

Our Fur Coats, Fur Caps and Fur Gloves are good in these long, cold New England winters, and we are selling good values in them.

Hope to see you before the close of the year.

F. H. NOYES COMPANY,

NORWAY

2 STORES

SO. PARIS

PLEASE DO NOT FORGET

that we have one of the largest lines of Footwear in the State and more than any two stores in the County. Our prices are right. We also carry a full line of Trunks, Bags and Suit Cases. We have at present a special bargain in sole leather Suit Cases, 22 inch for \$4.75, 24 inch for \$5.00, these make an elegant present for either gentleman or lady, and always remember we have all kinds of footwear for all kinds of wear and all kinds of people.

...Smiley Shoe Store,...

Norway, Maine.

E. N. Swett, Manager.

F. W. Faunce, Salesman.

Millinery at Wholesale Prices

Nice pleasant weather all the fall makes slow trade in Millinery. Owing to this fact I still have on hand some very desirable

HATS

both trimmed and untrimmed, which from now on will be sold at cut prices. Don't wait until the best are gone before purchasing yours.

Have you seen the

Outing Flannel Night Robes for Ladies and Children, also Ladies' Outing Flannel Skirts in all colors and prices?

E. E. BURNHAM

Cole Block Bethel

It pays to buy at Foster's.

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Choice Christmas Gifts

When men buy their best wearables here the year 'round, why isn't it reasonable to suppose that they would appreciate a gift from here, Christmas? We have just the things to please him most. The assortment is large. We bought it for you to look at—and buy if you were pleased.

Men's plain Handkerchiefs,	5c, 10c, 15c and 25c
Men's initial Handkerchiefs,	7c, 15c, 25c and 50c
Men's silk Handkerchiefs, black or white,	25c and 50c
Holiday Suspenders, all colors,	25c to \$1
Fancy Arm Bands, nice patterns,	25c and 50c
Fancy Vests, all sizes,	\$1 to \$3
Driving Gloves,	50c, 75c upwards to \$2
Plain and Fancy Mufflers,	25c to \$1

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Rheumatism

IS BAD.
NO NEED OF IT!

You Can Prevent it if You are Careful.

Careful of what you wear on your feet at this time of the year. Keep them warm and dry. You will live longer and will not have to pay out so much for doctor's bills.

We Sell FOOTWEAR

and we know the good kind. If you buy of us we will

sell you something you will like—something that will satisfy you. We don't know much about selling Hardware or Groceries, but we claim to know something about Shoes. Are you satisfied with the footwear you have been buying and the price you have been paying? If not, try us next time. We'll give you your money's worth. A dollar shoe we sell for a dollar, a two-dollar shoe for two dollars, no more, no less, you get what you pay for.

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95 Congress Street,

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